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HOMICIDE ARRESTS

Unlike crimes, which are classified by nationwide Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) standards, arrests are reported by California statute definition of the offense.¹ This may cause some differences in the definitions of certain crimes and the reporting of the arrests for those crimes. For instance, the California definition of a homicide arrest includes murder and *nonvehicular* manslaughter. The federal definition of a homicide crime includes murder and *nonnegligent* (nonaccidental) manslaughter.

All California law enforcement agencies report arrest and citation information to the California Department of Justice on the "Monthly Arrest and Citation Register," which lists each arrestee; includes information about age, gender, and race/ethnic group; and specifies the "most serious" arrest offense and law enforcement disposition.

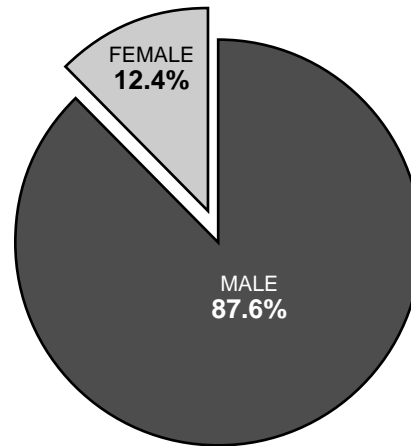
In 2000, of 1,627 arrests for homicide:

- 87.6 percent of arrestees (1,426) were male.
- 12.4 percent (201) were female.

□ In 2000, the majority of homicide arrestees and victims were male (87.6 and 80.3 percent, respectively). (See Tables 5 and 30.)

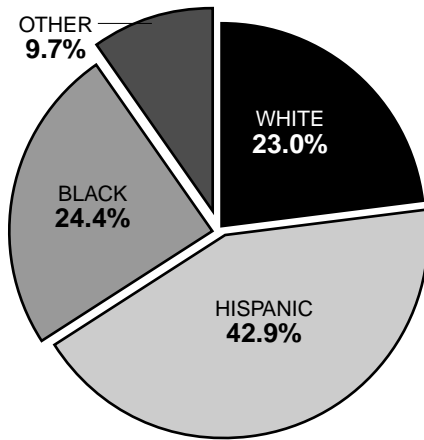
¹ The following penal codes for homicide arrest offenses were valid at the time of the closeout of the 2000 arrest offense code file: 128, 187(a), 189, 192(a), 192(b), 193(a), 193(b), 273ab, 399, and 12310(a).

Chart 38
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2000
By Gender of Arrestee



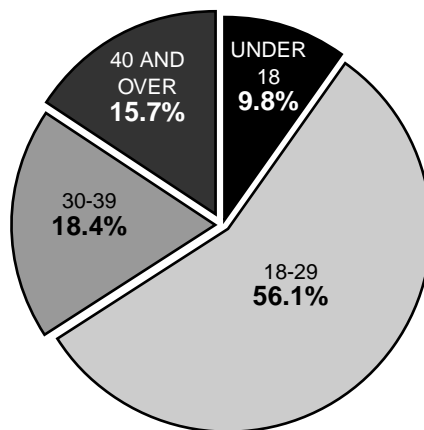
Source: Table 30.

Chart 39
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2000
By Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee



Source: Table 31.

Chart 40
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2000
By Age of Arrestee



Source: Table 32.

In 2000, of 1,627 arrests for homicide:

- 23.0 percent of arrestees (374) were white.
- 42.9 percent (698) were Hispanic.
- 24.4 percent (397) were black.
- 9.7 percent (158) fell into the “other” race/ethnic group category.

And,

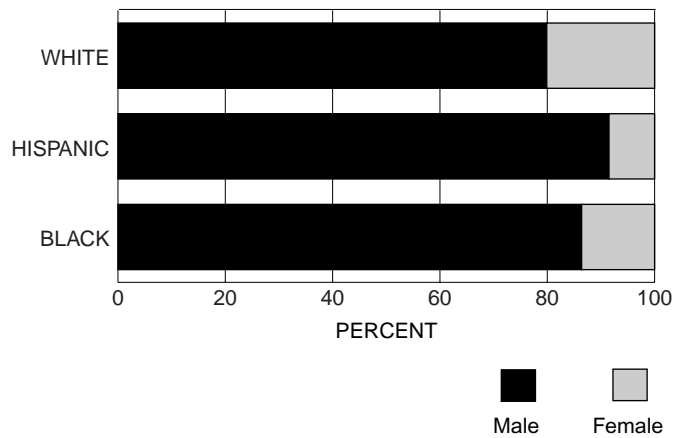
- 9.8 percent of arrestees (160) were under age 18.
- 56.1 percent (913) were aged 18-29.
- 18.4 percent (299) were aged 30-39.
- 15.7 percent (255) were aged 40 and over.

□ In 2000, the largest proportion of homicide arrestees and victims were Hispanic (42.9 and 45.2 percent, respectively). The majority of homicide arrestees were aged 18-29 (56.1 percent) and the largest proportion of homicide victims were aged 18-29 (43.4 percent). (See Tables 6, 7, 31, and 32.)

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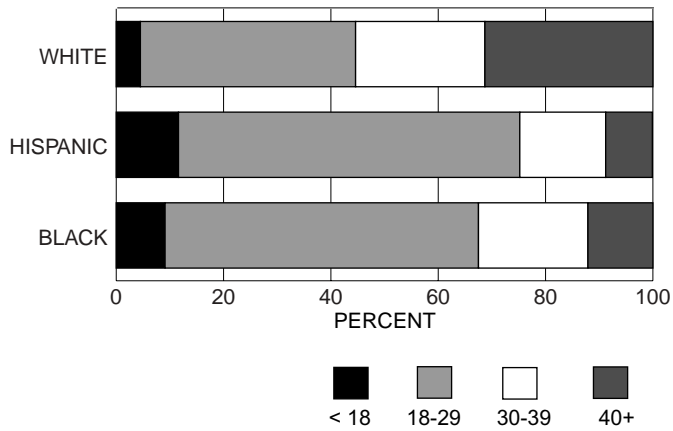
- Homicide arrestees for all three race/ethnic groups shown were predominately male.

Chart 41
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2000
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Gender of Arrestee



Source: Table 33.

Chart 42
HOMICIDE ARRESTS, 2000
Race/Ethnic Group of Arrestee by Age of Arrestee



Source: Table 33.

In 2000,

- More white arrestees were aged 40 and over than were Hispanic or black arrestees (31.3 vs. 8.7 and 12.1 percent, respectively).
- Regardless of race/ethnic group, the largest proportion of homicide arrestees fell into the aged "18-29" category.